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1. There are 11,000 prisoners confined in the Zabela Penitentiary, housed in seven barracks. 1,600 of these prisoners were formerly followers of Dradja Mihailovic and include many officers and intellectuals. The prisoners in this category have been sentenced to hard labor and as a result of the harsh treatment they receive and the poor rations which they are given the mortality rate among them is very high. Another category of prisoners which includes many deserters is confined in Barracks No. 3.
2. The director of the penitentiary is Voja Miketic. The commander of the militia, which consists of two battalions of guards, is Pavle Crnogorac. In addition to the militia unit, there is a special detachment of UDB which is reported to have informants among the prisoners.

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